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CANTON SENDS MORE RR WORKERS TO KOREA;
REPORTS SLOW PROGRESS ON LUNG-HAI RR EXTENSION

The Lung-Hai Railway shop workers at Sian are credited with making more than 200 valuable suggestions and inventions.

The first team of Canton railway workers returned from the Korean front in August; and the fifth and seventh teams, totaling 121 men, departed in August and September for the Korean front.

Difficult terrain and bad weather conditions are blamed for the slow progress on the extension of the Lung-Hai Railway. By 1 October 1951, rails had been laid to a point only 20 kilometers west of T'ien-shui.

A report from Taipei says that the Lung-Hai Railway may be connected with the USSR rail system by the end of 1951.

The Heng-yang Railway Bureau seeks to enroll 150 young men for a year of training in railway operations for employment on the railways of the southwest.

SHOP MEN MAKE USEFUL INVENTIONS -- Sian, Ch'un-chung Jih-pao, 23 Aug 51

Sian -- During the past 2 years, the men in the railway shops of this division are credited with having made over 200 inventions and constructive suggestions which have been accepted by their superiors as possessing no little advantage to the people's railways. Notable among these are:

1. A measuring device with moving parts which is ten times more efficient in use than the ordinary meter stick.

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2. The additional installation of saddle irons which greatly reduces the breakage of flat locomotive springs

3. A device for bundling railway tickets which saves much labor.

4. A practice in the copper and brass foundry which uses dry instead of damp molds and admits the molten metal to the molds from the bottom up instead of from the top down. This has reduced the occurrence of sand holes in the castings from 5 percent to about one tenth of one percent.

5. Improvements in the design of a number of tools.

Safe operation of locomotives on the Stan and T'ung-kuan divisions for 100,000 kilometers has also been achieved

The realization of such intelligent cooperation on the part of the railway workers is attributed to (a) the promotion of education in patriotism; (b) the giving of awards for faithful work, inventions, and constructive suggestions; and (c) sympathetic attention to workers' welfare.

FIFTH TEAM RR WORKERS LEAVE, FIRST TEAM RETURNS -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 24 Aug 51

Canton, 23 August -- On 22 August 1951, a meeting in Canton of about 2,500 persons welcomed the return from the Korean campaign of the first team of railway workers that went from Canton, and also celebrated the departure for the front of the fifth team of Canton railway workers consisting of 110 men

SEVENTH TEAM RR WORKERS LEAVE CANTON -- Canton, Nan-fang Jih-pao, 23 Sep 51

Canton -- On 22 September 1951, the seventh team of railway workers consisting of 11 employees of the Canton Railway Sub-Bureau, under the leadership of Wu Hung-hsuan, left Canton for the front to assist in the transportation tasks of the Korean campaign

SLOW PROGRESS ON LUNG-HAI RR EXTENSION -- Canton, Nan-fang Jih-pao, 23 Sep 51

Stan, 21 September (Hsin-hua) -- The Northwest Trunk Line Railways Engineering Bureau plans call for the laying of tracks for the Lung-Hai Railway from T'ien-shui to Kan-ku, a distance of 65 kilometers, by the end of 1951. Track laying began 1 August 1951, but due to the rainy season and the difficult terrain of the upper Wei Ho valley, by 16 September only 12 kilometers had been laid, and the laying of track even as far as Nan-ho-ch'uan, a distance of 20 kilometers from T'ien-shui, by 1 October the date of the national festival, can only be accomplished through special efforts which are being stimulated by a patriotic appeal

The present route from T'ien-shui to Ting-hsi, via Kan-ku and Lung-hsi, [not by the originally planned alignment via Ch in-an and T'ung-wei] follows the serpentine bends of the gorges of the Wei Ho where there are steep precipices necessitating 33 tunnels. At several points troublesome quicksands were encountered which presented extreme difficulty. Besides two large bridges across the Wei Ho, 147 small and medium-sized bridges are necessary.

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LUNG-HAI RR MAY REACH CENTRAL SIBERIA -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 2 Oct 51

T'ai-pei, 1 October (Hsin-hua) -- According to information revealed by the military information office, the Lung-Hai Railway, which starts on China's east coast at Lien-yun-chiang, may be linked up by the end of 1951 with the USSR railroads in Central Siberia. At present, construction work on the extension of the line is being rushed under the direction of 120 Soviet railway engineers by 1,100 Chinese Communist technicians and 200,000 Chinese Army railway troops. When extended into Sinkiang, this line will have great strategical significance.

HENG-YANG RR BUREAU NEEDS TRAINEES -- Canton, Nan-fang Jih-pao, 3 Oct 51

According to an advertisement in this paper, the Heng-yang Railway Bureau is seeking to enroll for a one-year term of study and training in their school for railway technicians and administrative assistants in Heng-yang, a total of 150 young men between the ages of 18 and 25 years. The students are to be divided equally into three classes studying courses in management of rolling stock, line construction and maintenance, and statistics, respectively. Examinations for admission are to be given in Heng-yang, Wu-ch'ang, Canton and Nan-ning.

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